

HR 3820

Medicare Home Health Flexibility Act of 2017

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Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Sep 29, 2017)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Meehan, Patrick [R-PA-7]

Party: Republican • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Costello, Ryan A. [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Sep 25, 2017
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Sep 25, 2017
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Sep 25, 2017
Rep. Rokita, Todd [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Sep 28, 2017
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Sep 28, 2017
Rep. Donovan, Daniel M., Jr. [R-NY-11]	R · NY		Oct 11, 2017
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		Oct 23, 2017
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Dec 12, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 29, 2017
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 25, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 6225	Related bill	Jul 9, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
115 S 977	Identical bill	Apr 27, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S2619-2620; text of measure as introduced: CR S2620)

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This bill establishes circumstances under which an occupational therapist may conduct an initial or comprehensive assessment for an individual who is eligible for home health services under Medicare. Specifically, an occupational therapist may conduct the assessment if the physician's referral order does not include skilled nursing care but does include: (1) occupational therapy, and (2) physical therapy or speech language pathology.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 29, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Sep 25, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 25, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.